GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

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JAIL REFORM IN MAHARASHTRA
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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government have decided to provide 350 crores from its Rs.1800 crore plan for improving jails to Maharashtra;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government of Maharashtra has submitted proposal for construction of new and extension of present jails in the State;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the time by which the financial assistance is likely to be provided?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI I.D.SWAMI)

(a) & (b): Out of the total outlay of Rs. 1800 crore for a period of five years for all States, the tentative allocation for the State of Maharashtra is Rs. 129.16 crore including 25% State contribution under the new non-plan scheme of Modernisation of Prisons Administration for construction of new prisons (Rs. 54.07 crore), expansion and renovation of existing prisons (Rs. 35.37 crore), construction of staff quarters (Rs. 37.94 crore) and sanitation & water supply (Rs. 1.78 crore).

(c) & (d): The Government of Maharashtra has submitted a five year perspective plan for construction of seven new jails and repair & renovation of twenty four Central Jails, District Jails, Sub-jails and women prisons besides construction of staff quarters and improvement of sanitation & water supply.

(e): The said scheme is proposed to be implemented over a period of five years prospectively.